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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

DR. JAMES L. COX, *et al.*)

Examiner: D. J. ISABELLA

Application No.: 09/606,742)

Art Unit: 3738

Filed: June 29, 2000)

For: SURGICAL SYSTEM AND)
PROCEDURE FOR TREATMENT)
OF MEDICALLY REFRACTORY)
ATRIAL FIBRILLATION)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 48 without prejudice and amend claims 26, 34 and 36 as indicated below.

Please substitute the following clean, unmarked copy of all pending claims for the claims presently in the application file:

1 26. (Amended) A method of forming an elongate ablation to electrically isolate one part of the heart from another part of the heart, comprising the steps of: